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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION
 Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Application of Junichi YAMADA
 SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY HAVING A DEFECTIVE MEMORY CELL
 RELIEVING CIRCUIT
Assignee: NEC CORPORATION
 Our Ref: Q79663

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/211,378 (Confirmation No. 1428) filed August 5., 2002 of Junichi YAMADA entitled SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY HAVING A DEFECTIVE MEMORY CELL RELIEVING CIRCUIT.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 24 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2818.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	2001-236638	August 3, 2001

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 10/211,378.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	25	-	20	=	5	x	\$18.00	=	\$90.00
Independent claims	5	-	3	=	2	x	\$86.00	=	\$172.00
Base Fee									\$770.00

TOTAL FILING FEE	<u>\$1032.00</u>
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A check for the statutory fee of \$1032.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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By A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. L. Bernstein".

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